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SUBJECT: CONFERENCE OF EMINENT JURISTS

1. JUSTICE ARTHUR GOLDBERG CALLED UNDER SECRETARY SISCO'S OFFICE AUGUST 24 TO INFORM UNDER SECRETARY THAT HE WILL BE IN LONDON SEPTEMBER 20 TO 24 AT CONFERENCE OF EMINENT JURISTS. APPROXIMATELY 25 JURISTS MAINLY FROM WESTERN EUROPE WILL PARTICIPATE AND DISCUSS JURIDICAL ASPECTS OF SOVIET POLICY TOWARD EMIGRATION. GOLDBERG WILL DELIVER KEY-NOTE SPEECH.

2. DEPARTMENT IS PREPARING BACKGROUND FACT SHEET FOR GOLDBERG'S USE. DURING LAST CONFERENCE ON THIS ISSUE, THE JUSTICE SAID OUR ASSISTANCE WAS VERY HELPFUL. HE EMPHASIZED THAT MEETING WOULD BE NEITHER HORTATORY NOR PROPAGANDISTIC.

3. THE JUSTICE INQUIRED AS TO POSSIBILITIES OF OUR GIVING SOME SORT OF RECOGNITION TO HIGH CALIBER OF CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS. HE NOTED HE AWARE THIS EXTREMELY SENSITIVE ISSUE AT PRESENT TIME AND DID NOT EXPECT ANY OFFICIAL USG  
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ACTIVITY VIS-A-VIS CONFERENCE ITSELF. HE ADDED, HOWEVER,

THAT WHEN SIMILAR CONFERENCE HELD IN BRUSSELS, AMBASSADOR EISENHOWER GAVE RECEPTION IN JUSTICE GOLDBERG'S HONOR TO WHICH CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS INVITED. HE INQUIRED AS TO POSSIBILITY OF AMBASSADOR ANNENBERG, OR IN HIS ABSENCE MINISTER COUNSELOR SOHM, GIVING A SMALL RECEPTION IN LONDON DURING THE CONFERENCE. HE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED AMBASSADOR AS "OLD FRIEND."

4. ALTHOUGH WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF THE AMBASSADOR HOSTED SMALL RECEPTION FOR JUSTICE GOLDBERG, DECISION OBVIOUSLY RESTS WITH AMBASSADOR ANNENBERG HIMSELF. HOWEVER, SINCE GOLDBERG RAISED MATTER WITH UNDER SECRETARY'S OFFICE AND SPECIFICALLY ASKED IF WE WOULD INQUIRE OF AMBASSADOR AS TO POSSIBILITY OF HIS HOSTING RECEPTION, WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS. KISSINGER

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